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CHINA.

Reports from Hongkong—Plague and smallpox.

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, January 28 and February 4, as follows:

During the week ended January 24, 1903, 10 vessels were inspected, 663 crew and 85 steerage passengers were bathed at the disinfecting station, and 730 pieces of baggage were disinfected. Three fatal cases of plague occurred during the week, all Chinese, and one of smallpox. Since January 1 of this year 4 cases and 4 deaths have occurred from plague, all Chinese. Three cases of enteric fever, with no deaths, were the only other cases of communicable disease reported during the week.

During the week ended January 31, 1903, 8 vessels were inspected, 341 crew and 136 steerage passengers were bathed at the disinfecting station, and 544 pieces of baggage were disinfected; 1 rejection on account of fever. During the time covered by this report the following communicable diseases and deaths were reported: Diphtheria, 2 cases and 2 deaths, Chinese; enteric fever, 1 case, European; smallpox, 3 cases, 1 European and 2 Chinese, with 2 deaths.

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CUBA.

Report from Habana.

Assistant Surgeon Trotter reports, March 4, as follows:

Mortuary report of Habana for the week ended February 28, 1903.

Disease.	Number of deaths.
Tuberculosis	13
Pneumonia	3
Bronchitis	5
Grippe	2
Meningitis	6
Infectious fever	1
Cancer	6
Enteritis	1
Typhoid	1

Total deaths from all causes, 95.

Reports from Matanzas.

Passed Assistant Surgeon von Ezdorf reports, March 3 and 9, as follows: Week ended February 28, 1903. A total of 11 deaths was reported, making the annual rate of mortality 11.91 per 1,000. The causes of death were as follows: Tuberculosis, 4; broncho-pneumonia, 1; enteritis, 1; meningitis, 1; other causes, 3. No quarantinable disease was reported in this district.

Week ended March 7, 1903. 16 deaths were reported, making an annual rate of mortality of 17.33 per 1,000.

The causes of death were as follows: Tuberculosis, 2; enteritis, 1; gastro-enteritis, 2; Bright's disease, 1; tetanus, infantile, 2; meningitis, 1; broncho-pneumonia, 1; other causes, 6.

No quarantinable disease was reported in this district.

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